Docket No.: 043890-0794 PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 53080

Masaya UGAJI, et al. : Confirmation Number: 5527

Application No.: 10/575,889 : Group Art Unit: 1795

Filed: April 14, 2006 : Examiner: Phoebe D. RINER

For: NEGATIVE ELECTRODE FOR BATTERY AND BATTERY USING THE SAME

RESPONSE

Mail Stop Response Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2008 having a three-month shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on February 24, 2009. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.